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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. MBHB04-736 (400.134))

In the Application of:	
McSwiggen et al.	**Examiner: Epps Ford**
Serial No.: 10/683,990	**Group Art Unit: 1633**
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For: RNA Interference Mediated Inhibition of Placental growth Factor Gene Expression Using Short Interfering Nucleic Acid (siNA)	

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RESPONSE TO RESTICTION REQUIREMENT

Madam:

This paper is filed in response to the restriction requirement mailed on June 14, 2006 in the above-mentioned application. Applicant submits herewith a petition for a two month extension of time. With the extension of time, a response is timely filed on September 14, 2006. It is believed that no further fee is due in connection with this filing; however, if a fee is due the Commissioner is authorized to charge our deposit account number 13-2490.

Amendments to the specification are on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

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